

Utah Legislature

Prison Relocation Commission (PRC) Proposed Working Groups, Membership, and Responsibilities

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Overall Responsibilities of the PRC:

1. carefully and deliberately consider, study, and evaluate how and where to move the state prison;
2. invite the participation of interested parties and the public;
3. adopt recommendations regarding a new prison site(s), the types of facilities to be built, and how existing state or county facilities can meet future corrections needs; and
4. report its recommendations to the governor and Legislature.

Working Group	Chair/ Vice Chair	Members	Responsibilities
Correction System Reform and Programming	Rep. Hutchings/Rep. Wheatley	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ron Gordon and other staff from CCJJ• Dept. of Corrections• Sen. Mayne	<p>In cooperation with the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. review reform proposals, including those to reduce the growth in incarceration rates;2. review future incarceration rate estimates developed by the Department of Corrections and MGT America;3. identify near and long-term resources needed to implement reform proposals;4. develop final system reform proposals to be presented to the Legislature;5. recommend levels of near and long-term system bed capacity and where those beds will be located (Draper, new site, Central Utah Correctional Facility, county jails); and6. recommend how the design of the new prison will be based on reform recommendations and the best way to treat populations requiring specialized services such as geriatric, mental health, sex offender, and substance abuse.

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Site Selection	Sen. Stevenson/Sen. Vickers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DFCM • Rollin Cook and other staff from the Dept. of Corrections • CCJJ • Other members appointed by chair and vice chair 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop criteria to evaluate alternative sites identified by DFCM. 2. Based on the criteria, evaluate each site. 3. Engage local governments and the public as part of the site selection process. 4. Recommend one or more sites.
Plan of Financing	Rep. Wilson/Rep. Hughes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dept. of Corrections • LFA • GOMB • State Treasurer and Bond Advisors 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop a capital and operational financing plan for the construction and operation of a new state prison. 2. Recommend the time frame within which the State Prison will close and new prison(s) will open. 3. Identify sources of revenue.